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Indicator: BLM management responsibilities in the western states. This map displays BLM surface management responsibilities, along with some special designations: Wild and Scenic Rivers, National Monuments (as of March, 2000,) National Conservation Areas, and Wilderness Areas over 100,000 acres. Not included are Wilderness Study Areas and Trails. This map also shows BLM's minerals management responsibilities for the federal mineral estate underlying BLM surface and other federal agency surface, and for Indian Reservations.

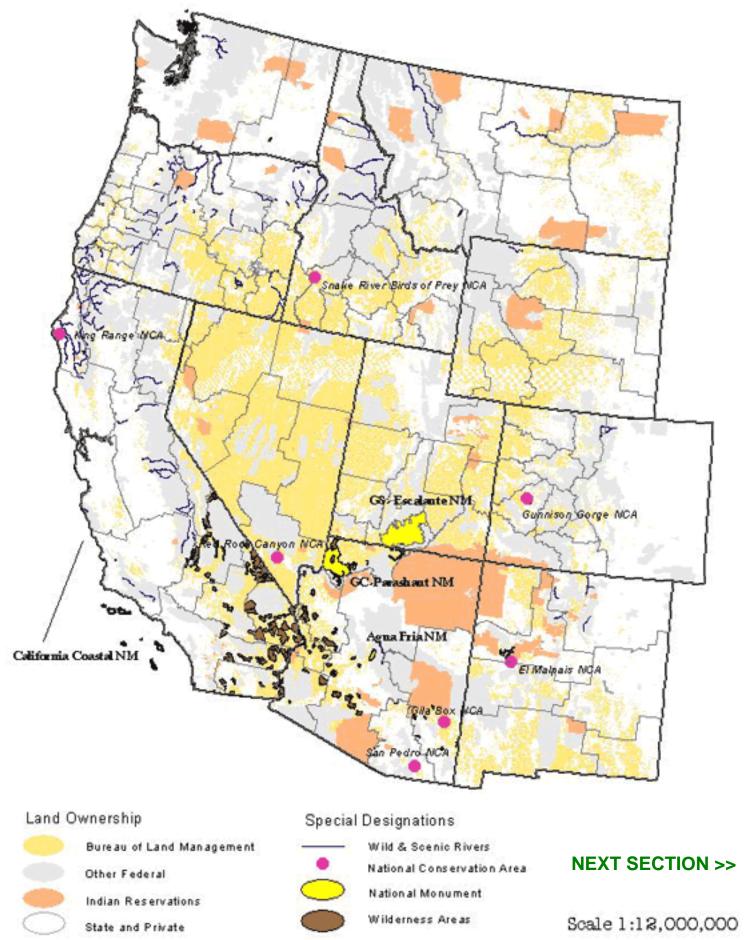
Key Findings: This base map provides a clearer perspective of the relationships between BLM management responsibilities and specific indicator maps. Note the significant portion of "checkerboard" federal ownership extending through Wyoming, Utah and Nevada.

Limitations: Smaller Wilderness Areas are included in the data set but do not show at this scale. While this map may aid in coarse correlations, the data is not accurate enough to conduct rigorous spatial analyses using these maps. This map does not show BLM's minerals management responsibilities underlying split-estate (private surface - federal minerals) lands, about 70 million acres, nor our responsibilities for managing allotted Indian mineral estate.

Source: "Federal and Indian Lands" in National Atlas of the United States of America: http://www.nationalatlas.gov/atlasftp.html

Comments: None

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